

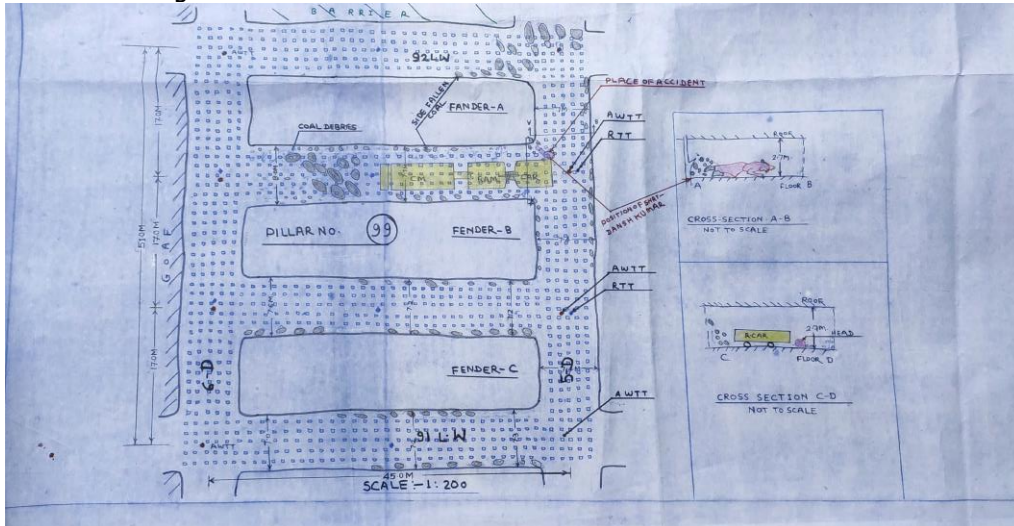


DGMS Safety Alert: 01/2024

Dhanbad, dated 19.03.2024

SUBJECT: FATAL ACCIDENT DUE TO FALL OF PERSON IN THE SAME LEVEL WHILE ESCAPING FROM THE EFFECT OF PILLAR SIDES SPALLING/MINOR BUMP IN A CONTINUOUS MINER DEPELLARING PANEL

1. Name of Mine : Churcha Mine (RO)
2. Name of Owner: : M/s South Eastern Coalfields Limited
District : Korea
State : Chhattisgarh
3. Mineral : Coal
4. Date and time of : 06.03.2024, 05:50 Hrs
accident
5. Place of accident : Dip No. 5x between 91L to 92L in Continuous Miner depillaring Sub Panel-2 of 91LW Panel in Seam- V at a distance of about 35m from the face
6. Killed : Name: Dansh Kumar, Designation: Continuous Miner operator, Age: 35 Years
Experience : 1.5 years
7. Seriously Injured : Nil
8. Brief Cause : While escaping from pillar sides spalling/minor coal bump in a Continuous Miner depillaring panel of the mine , the Continuous Miner operator fell down, causing serious bodily injury on his head to which he succumbed on the way to hospital.
9. Sketch showing the accident :



10. Best Practices
 1. In continuous miner operations, coal pillar sides have a high potential for spalling/minor bumps to occur.
 2. Pillar sides must never be neglected for support in areas where continuous miner operators are present and where persons are required to work and travel, as per the Support Plan formulated in accordance with the scientific study report on the subject.
 3. Geologic conditions and other observable adverse conditions of pillar sides, which can result in failure, shall be assessed for risk and corrected before deploying the persons/machine.
 4. All personnel must be educated and trained about the dangers of falling sides and instructed on the necessary safety precautions.

Safety Alert, a tool utilized by DGMS, informs the mining industry about potential safety issues and offers recommendations to prevent such incident.